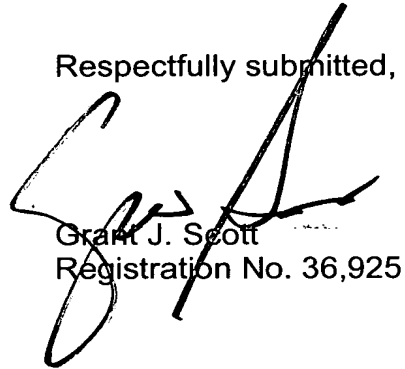


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REMARKS

In response to the final Official Action of February 3, 2006, Applicants have hereby canceled Claim 12 without prejudice to the filing of a follow-up application to pursue Claim 12 and possibly other claims. Because of this cancellation, the present application is now in condition for allowance.

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